



August 30, 2021

Dear CLC Parents/Guardians and Students:

We hope this email finds you well and that you and your family had a great summer.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our returning students, as well as those new to our school. **For all returning students and any new students who have completed their orientation, your classes will start on Wed Sept 8 so please plan on attending school either in the morning or the afternoon according to your schedule. If you are a new student to CLC this year, your orientation will take place during the week of Sept 13 and you will begin your classes after that.** We will be sending out another email to all students later in the week informing you of the specific time you should attend for the first week or for your orientation.

A special “Welcome Back” is reserved for our graduating class of 2022! As the graduating class you have a special and important role to play in the culture of our school. Every year, our grads provide both leadership and a sense of purpose for other students through their positive interactions in the school, and their mentorship. I am looking forward to seeing your enthusiasm and energy once again this year. As individuals, you have tremendous potential. Study hard, set goals for yourself and have a great year.

As we all know, we are still dealing with the Covid pandemic and as much as we would like life to get back to the normal we’re used to, with the recent spread of the delta variant, there are some precautions that we will continue taking to keep everyone in our school safe.

In preparation for the upcoming school year, I wanted to share some important highlights that will be helpful for you and your child in days and weeks ahead.

- All students are expected to attend school for in-person classes.
- Most of our regular routines are back in place and we do plan to have some school-wide activities as in the past. Students will not be in cohorts or learning groups.
- All courses will be based on a semester system with a start and end date (Sept 8 - Jan 29 and Feb 1 - June 24).
- Students will be expected to complete their courses in a timely manner by the end of each semester, but the completion date may be extended depending on the learning needs of the individual student.
- Students will be required to attend all classes daily according to their schedule (please see bell schedule attached).

And while school life returns to somewhat of the normal we’re used to, please remember that we continue to grapple with the variant strains of the corona virus in the community. As such, students and visitors are expected to follow these important safety protocols:

- All students/families and staff will be required to self-assess for COVID symptoms daily.
- If a student is not feeling well, they are to stay home or if they become ill during the day, they are to report to their teacher immediately. The student will be asked to wait in a designated room and parents will be contacted to pick up the student as soon as possible.



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- Students and staff are reminded to sanitize and/or wash hands frequently.
- Students and staff are required to wear a face mask AT ALL TIMES while in the building.
- We will continue to share any updates as we receive them from our school district and/or the local authorities

Other

- School Supplies – please purchase the basic items for now (binders, pens, pencils, calculators). Teachers will inform students of any specific supplies if needed.
- Breakfast/Snack program – light breakfast/lunch items may be available for students BEFORE the start of classes on some mornings/afternoons. Basic snacks (fruits, granola bars, etc) will be available from teachers during the day.
- School Fees –students will be required to pay the regular \$25 student fee, \$20 grad fee (for grads only) and a \$50 refundable textbook deposit for all students (if not paid already).

Enclosed with this letter you will find this year's block schedule for classes. For students who are returning, we will have the same schedule as last year (3 blocks in the morning or afternoon session). While many students will be scheduled into 4 courses during that time, some students may have fewer scheduled courses based on their individual circumstances/needs. All students will be provided with their course/class schedules on the first day of classes on Wednesday Sept 8.

A copy of our school calendar is also included in this email. It contains important dates to make your return to school as smooth as possible. An electronic version of this calendar and other important information can be found on our school website at www.cloverdalelc.ca.

I would like to encourage all students to take advantage of the opportunities available to you at CLC this year, such as work experiences/employment programs, field trips and presentations. I hope that as students of our community you will continue to do what is right, not simply what is easy. I also encourage parents to become actively involved in your child's experience at CLC. One way to do that is to get involved with our PAC. Our PAC only has three meetings during the year and the first one will be on Oct 19 at 7 PM. I hope to see as many parents as possible at that meeting.

I wish you all the best for an outstanding school year!

Sincerely,

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